

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2390

January 6, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes individuals without a handgun carry permit to transport an unloaded rifle or shotgun in a privately-owned motor vehicle. Creates a defense to the offense of unlawful possession or carrying of a weapon if the unloaded handgun was not concealed and the ammunition was not in the immediate vicinity of the individual or weapon.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Decrease State Revenue – Not Significant
Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant**

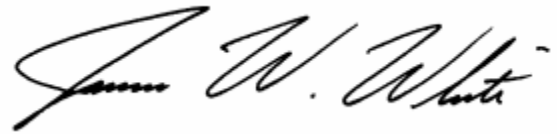
**Decrease Local Revenue – Not Significant
Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- Currently, Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1307 provides an exception to the offense of unlawful carrying or possession of a weapon if a person with a handgun carry permit is transporting an unloaded rifle or shotgun in or on a privately-owned motor vehicle.
- Currently, Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1308 provides a defense to the offense of unlawful carrying or possession of a weapon if the possession or carrying of an unloaded rifle, shotgun, or handgun was not concealed and the ammunition for the weapon was not in the immediate vicinity of the person or weapon.
- Authorizing an individual without a handgun carry permit to transport an unloaded rifle or shotgun may decrease convictions for that offense. Such decrease is estimated to be not significant.
- A small decrease in cases in the court system, which will result in reduced state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and reduced state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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